On page 1, lines 2-8, please delete "This is a continuation-in-part application of U.S. Serial No. (not yet known) filed February 2, 1995, which is a continuation application of Serial No. 08/082,291 filed June 24, 1993. This application claims priority from EPO Application No. 92306038.8 filed June 30, 1992, British Application No. 9405914.4 filed March 24, 1994 and British Application No. (not yet known) filed February 28, 1995." and in place thereof please insert the following heading and paragraph:

-- CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a divisional of U.S. Serial No. 09/307,239 filed October 7, 1997, which is a continuation of U.S. Serial No. 08/400,397 filed March 7, 1995, which is a Continuation-In-Part of U.S. Serial No. 08/382,958 filed February 2, 1995, now abandoned, which is a continuation of U.S. Serial No. 08/082,291 filed June 24, 1993, now abandoned.--

in the Claims:

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Please add the following claims:

1. A method of storing data, comprising:

receiving a sequence of data words of a first predetermined width and different respective formats;

- 4 splitting the data words of the received sequence to form new data words of a
- 5 new sequence, the new data words having a second predetermined width;